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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant recognizes that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowed. In the above-referenced application, Applicant does not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. In particular, Applicant does not concede that all of the identified limitations are necessary to distinguish the prior art of record or to satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Furthermore, the claims may be patentable for other reasons.

The examiner stated:

Deinzer et al (US 2006/0172171) discloses a fuel cartridge comprising a housing "1b" provided by a plurality of walls, each of the walls of the housing of a vapor impermeable material, the walls of the housing defining a fixed interior space, in direct contact with a liquid source of an oxidizable fuel, and having at least a portion of a first one of the walls of the housing being comprised of a metal (thermally conductive material); an outlet device "1 a" (egress portion member) supported by a second, different one of the walls of the housing, the outlet device having a single passage through the second, different one of the walls of the housing. Hirsch et al (US 2004/0209133) discloses a removable fuel cartridge that includes a methanol delivery film (surface area enhanced planar vaporization membrane) that

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